

Welcome to Orientation!

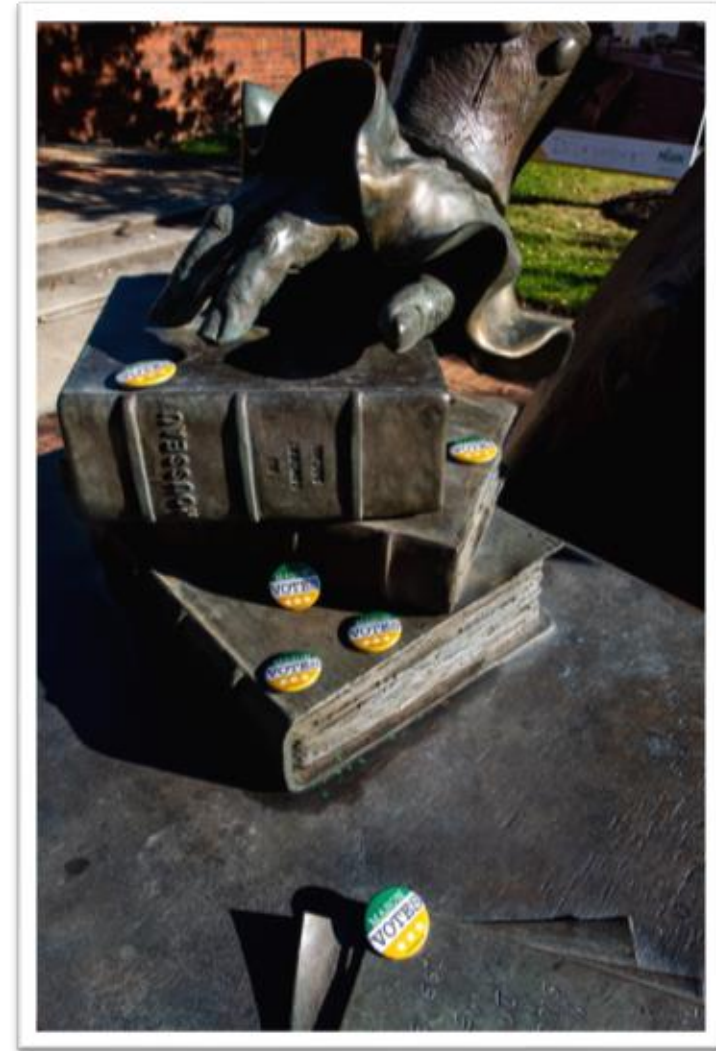
Connect with Your College



**SCHAR SCHOOL OF POLICY
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George Mason University®

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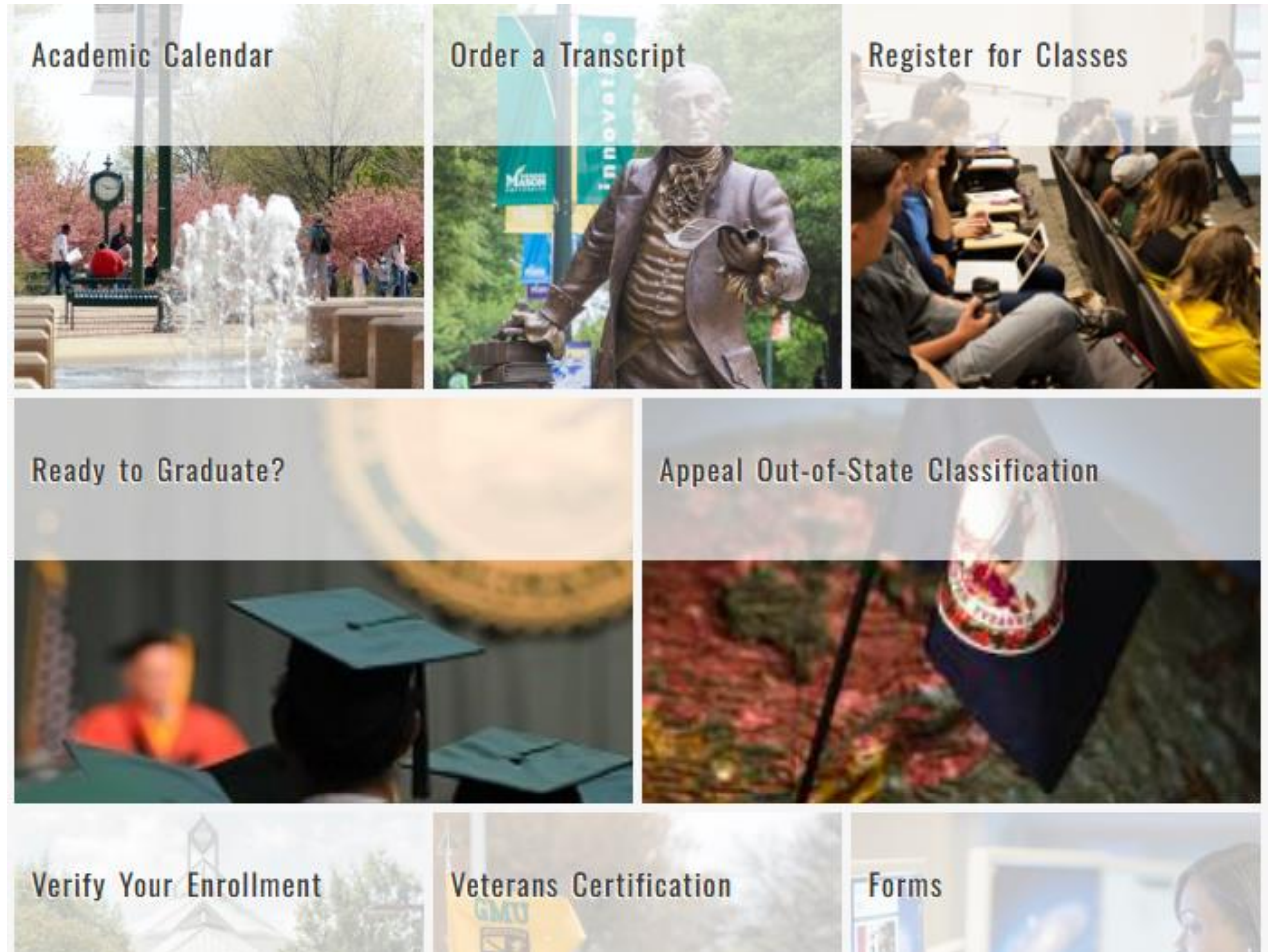
- Welcome + Introductions
- Advising Tools at Mason
- Advising at the Schar School
- Planning for Success
- Resource Review
- Focus on Careers
- Preparing for Virtual Advising at Orientation



Advising Tools

Registrar

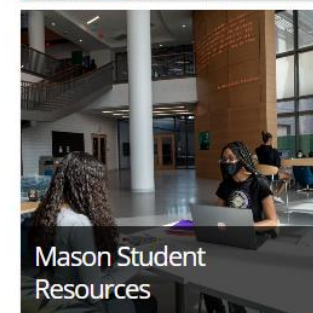
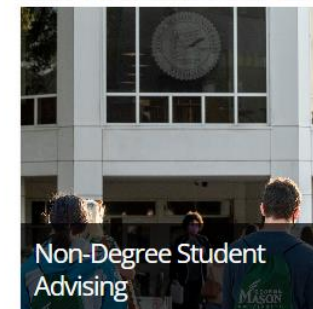
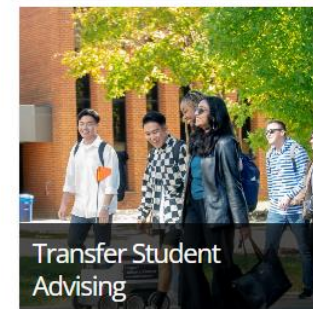
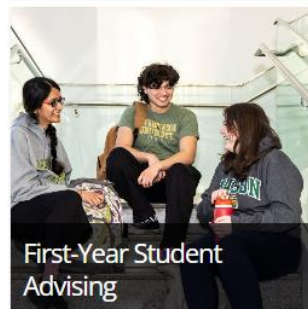
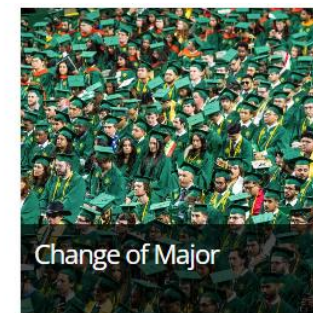
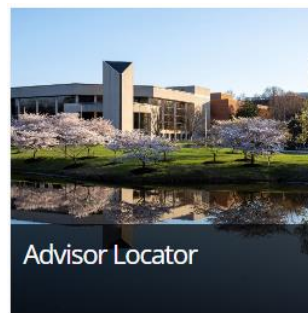
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Advising Tools

Academic Advising at Mason

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Advising Tools

Patriot Web

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Advising Tools

Patriot Connect

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Academic Advising at the Schar School



Your advising team:

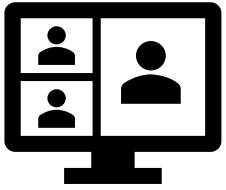
- Dr. Ann Ludwick
- Dr. Matt Green
- Jana Biever
- Victoria Cattelona
- Peer Academic Advisors



We serve as guides for the following needs and opportunities:

- Selecting courses each semester
- Identifying goals and long-term plans
- Connecting to campus resources
- Making the most of your Schar School experience!

How to Connect with Us

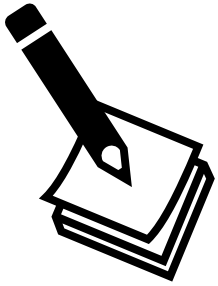


- Appointments can be made on Patriot Connect
 - On-campus and Zoom meetings
 - Drop-in Advising is available in the advising suite
- Weekly Hours
 - 9 am – 5 pm, Monday - Friday
- On-campus location:
 - Aquia Building, Fairfax Campus
 - Room 337

[Undergraduate Academic
Advising Team Emails](#)



Planning for Success in College



Less class time, more studying

- Deceptive "free" time

Less structure and symmetry

- Every day is different
- Hard to set consistent weekly routine

Less external accountability

- Nobody is "making sure" you do anything
- Set your own systems of accountability

Infinite distractions

- Always something you could do instead

Intelligence + Effort + Support + Resilience

- Intelligence is not enough. Effort is not enough.
Seek support.

	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI
8 AM	CLASS 1	STUDY	CLASS 1	STUDY	CLASS 1
9 AM	STUDY	STUDY	STUDY	STUDY	STUDY
10 AM	STUDY	CLASS 3	STUDY	CLASS 3	STUDY
11 AM	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 2	CLASS 3	CLASS 2
12 PM	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH	LUNCH
1 PM	STUDY	STUDY	STUDY	STUDY	LAB
2 PM	STUDY	CLASS 4	STUDY	CLASS 4	LAB
3 PM	LAB	CLASS 4	CLASS 5	CLASS 4	STUDY
4 PM	LAB	STUDY	CLASS 5	STUDY	STUDY
5 PM	LAB	STUDY	CLASS 5	STUDY	STUDY
6 PM	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER	DINNER
7 M	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE
8 PM	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE	FREE

Focus on Careers

University Career Services

- Rachel Stockdale, Career Advisor
rstockda@gmu.edu

Career Fairs

Clearance Ready Program

Internships

- GOVT 480
- Schar Weekly Newsletter

Global Internships

- Global Education Office (GEO)

Handshake and Interstride



Explore Career
Options →

Job Search in
Uncertain Times →

Register for a Career
Certificate →

Create a
Resume →

Write a Cover
Letter →

Prepare for
Interviews →

Find a Job or
Internship →



Resources at Mason

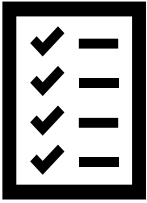
<https://advising.gmu.edu/resources/>



- Academic, Social, Financial, Well-being, and more!
- Free and accessible to all Mason students



Preparing for Your Virtual Advising Session



- Patriot Web
- Schedule of Courses
- Four-year Plans
- Catalog
- Mason Core
- Math Placement / Foreign Language



<https://advising.gmu.edu/newstudent/>

Your Next Steps



For Freshmen

- ☐ Review sample four-year plans for your major of choice
 - ☐ Prepare a list of AP/IB, dual-enrollment, or any other college-level credits earned, if applicable, and make sure any test scores have been sent to the Office of Admissions
 - ☐ Use Patriot Web to complete a rough draft of your schedule
 - ☐ Identify at least three questions to ask during virtual advising
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For Transfers

- ☐ Review your Transfer Credit Evaluation for any missing credits
- ☐ Ensure your final transcript is submitted to the Office of Admissions
- ☐ Review your degree audit to see how your transfer credits are applying to requirements
- ☐ Identify at least three questions to ask during virtual advising

Any Questions?



We aarrrrrr excited to work with you this semester!

Thank you!



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